

**ENVIRONMENTAL ADVISORY COMMITTEE**

December 2, 2015

Minutes of the Environmental Advisory Committee held in the Independent Centre Boardroom,  
Thompson Rivers University, Kamloops, B.C., commencing at 12:30 PM.

HEADING	ITEM / DISCUSSION	ACTION
<b>ATTENDANCE</b> (two vacancies remain)		
<b>Present:</b>	Scott Blackford (designate from TRU office of Legal Counsel); Emma Bourassa; Hoberly Hove; Crystal Huscroft (new Vice Chair); Dale Parkes; Susan Purdy; Glenn Read; Amie Schellenberg (new EAC member; Faculty from Trades & Technology); Marjorie Serack; Wayne Singular (Chair); Peter Tsigaris	
<b>Participating by Teleconference:</b>	None	
<b>Regrets:</b>	Warren Asuchak; Tom Dickinson; Jim Gudjonson; Madhuree (Yojna) Juddoo (student); Robert Wisla;	
<b>Guests:</b>	Alex McClellan (TRUSU, Research Coordinator)	
<b>Others:</b>	James Gordon (note-taker; TRU Sustainability Office (TRUSO)); Natalie Yao (TRUSO)	
<b>CALL TO ORDER &amp; WELCOMES</b>	<i>The meeting, being duly constituted for the conduct of business, was called to order at 12:35 pm by the Chair.</i>	
<b>ADOPTION OF AGENDA</b>	<i>On motion duly made by Hoberly, seconded by Emma, and approved by all other members it was RESOLVED to approve the agenda as distributed.</i>	
<b>ADOPTION OF MINUTES</b>	<b>Minutes of November 4, 2015</b> <i>On motion duly made by Hoberly, seconded by Scott, and approved by all other members it was RESOLVED to approve the Minutes as distributed.</i>	
<b>PRESENTATIONS</b>	None.	
<b>BUSINESS ARISING FROM MINUTES</b>	<u><b>EAC still needs a Vice-President.</b></u> Crystal agreed to take on this role, and all were in favour. Thanks Crystal!  <u><b>On work of sub-committee looking at issues to do with entrenching and infusing sustainability into TRU curriculum</b></u>	

Susan mentioned that there is nothing to report on, so this item is tabled until the January meeting. Susan

**Possibility of changing scope and name of EAC to the TRU Sustainability Advisory Committee (SAC) (working title).** Susan reported that the Senate Sub-Committee has all of the needed information about this issue, and they will vote on it at today's 3:15 PM meeting. The only issue that the Chair of that committee, Gordon Tarzwell, recommended was that the EAC should discuss the issue with Paul Michel, head of TRU Aboriginal Education, to find out if that department had any concerns with the change and/or they wanted to participate in the SAC in any way. Susan mentioned she has tried to contact Paul, but to no avail. She will continue again after this EAC meeting. Susan

**Using a new Moodle Site**

Wayne mentioned that there is nothing to report on, so this item is tabled until the January meeting.

**Vision for EAC (from present up to 5 years in the future)**

Wayne mentioned that there is nothing to report on, so this item is tabled until the January meeting. He will send an email to all members requesting input. As a reference document, which can be used to facilitate this process, the TRU Strategic Sustainability Plan will also be emailed by James. Wayne

**Discussion re TRU joining Canadian Universities Environmental**

**Network.** Susan will email James the core information about this issue so that he can forward it to all members. Crystal thinks that if it is agreed that TRU should join, that it should not be funded from just one department (like Sciences, Arts, SoBE, etc.) for fear that other departments won't feel welcome. Susan James

**REPORT OF COMMITTEES**

None.

**DIRECTOR'S REPORT**

Jim Gudjonson was away so there was no report.

**NEW BUSINESS**

**Decide on EAC meeting times for January to June 2016.** To facilitate a decision on this, James will email a Doodle Poll for all members to James

fill in.

**TRU Parking issue that TRUSU is spearheading.** Marjorie brought forward this issue since she thought the EAC should be aware of the proposal to parking regulations that TRUSU brought to the Parking Appeals Advisory Committee (which EAC member Warren Asuchak sits on) several months ago and still is in front of that committee. One of the key questions the EAC should consider is: What is the EAC's role regarding this issue? Marjorie will represent CUPE on this issue and so cannot officially represent the EAC due to a conflict of interest. She prepared an information package on this issue, which James will include with these minutes. She thought some of the core changes that TRUSU is proposing run counter to some of the key elements of the TRU Strategic Sustainability Plan. Susan reminded everyone that TRU contracted out the creation of a Transportation Demand Management Plan for TRU in 2012, and this may be a useful document to reference for this issue. James will also include both of these documents in these Minutes. Should the EAC create a sub-committee to investigate this issue further? Wayne will contact Warren about his thoughts on the best strategy for the EAC to pursue moving forward.

**James**

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**Wayne**

**CORRESPONDENCE** None.

**NEXT MEETING** January 6, 2016. Tentatively scheduled for 12:30-2 in the TRUSU Boardroom.

**ADJOURNMENT** The meeting was adjourned at 1:30 PM.

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*Signature of Chairperson, Chair*

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*Signature of Vice-Chairperson, Vice-Chair (if required)*